

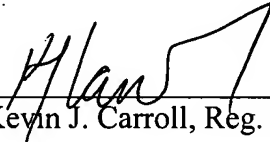
Remarks/Arguments

In a Notice of Omitted Items dated November 12, 2003, the Office indicated that the above-identified application omitted Figure 12d, which was described in the specification. Applicant elected to accept the application as filed and to maintain the original filing date. Accordingly, the specification has been amended to delete all references to "FIG. 12d," the omitted drawing. Applicant submits that the application as filed and amended complies with 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, and that no new matter has been added by this amendment.

The examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned, applicant's attorney of record, to facilitate advancement of the present application. Please apply any charges not covered, or any credits, to Deposit Account 04-0932 (Reference Number 14206/67156).

Respectfully submitted,

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